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less than \$100 and not more than \$5,000. We are giving agency people this kind of a fine and then in addition to that there's \$50 a day if they happen to have a water plant or a water situation that will not meet for extended time. \$5,000 handler you are putting over the heads of people that cannot confront an agency whether they are right or wrong. I can't see how we can pass this bill. The premise of this bill is, it works a deal like this. Somebody comes in and tells me I should beat my neighbor up because if I don't he's going to beat him up for me. And if I beat my neighbor up it won't hurt so much as if he beats him up. This is the premise that we are taking on if we pass this bill. If the federal government is going to come down and harass our communities let them do it, let them take the credit for it. We're not school boys that have to go to the teacher, to ask what laws we are passing in this state. We are elected people to pass laws for the citizens of this state and I cannot understand proceeding with a measure like this. Nobody wants it in the state except to put a buffer zone in between the federal governments so we get the credit for axing them instead of the people that are giving it to them. Let's put the responsibility where it lies and not pass this bill and act as responsible legislature. Let those who want the credit have it.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schmit. I've heard a call for the question. Are there 5 seconds? Senator Duis called for the question? Senator Lewis did. Record your vote. Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 4 nays.

PRESIDENT: Debate ceases. Senator Kremer, would you close please?

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, I thought I was closing before but I'll be glad to close again. Very short. I want to call Senator Burrows attention to the penalty that will be set by the fed's. Ours is very very mild. And you notice it says from 100-5,000. The only time that a penalty would be assessed, if anyone refuses to cooperate and violates intentionally after the state has given them the help, given them the guidance, shown them what they can do and then they deliberately violate and refuse, it's going to be their attitude. I'm not afraid what the state's going to do really. I'm not. But I am scared to death what the fed's will do with a penalty that's much more severe than this one. That's my closing, Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT: The motion is to advance the bill. Record your vote. Please vote. Have you voted? Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 13 nays to advance.

PRESIDENT: The bill is advanced. 987, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Koch asks unanimous consent to print amendments in the journal to 863. Read EAR report, LR 164, P. 1344-1345 of the Legislative Journal. Read LB 987. Mr. President, there are committee amendments by Miscellaneous Subjects Committee. Signed by Senator Anderson.